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Moscow, November 22, O. S.

ON the 11th Instant M. Rondeau had an Audience of the Czarina, at which he delivered his Letters of Credence as Resident from the King of Great Britain. Her Czarish Majesty has named the young Prince of Saxe-Alachie to go to England as her Minister. The Removal of this Court to Petersbourg is now certain: For, on the 18th Instant, a Secretary of the College for Foreign Affairs, did by Order inform all the Foreign Ministers, that the Empress designed soon to set out for Petersbourg, to which Place her Majesty hoped they would all repair; and that she would be there by the 9th of January, which is the Anniversary of her Accession to the Throne. This Commitment has put every body in a great hurry, to get ready for that long and expensive Journey.

Hague, Dec. 21, N. S. The States of Holland separated Yesterday, and are not to meet again till the Beginning of the new Year. They have consented to the State of War as was proposed by the General Petition, which is the same as last Year. To supply the Charges of the Province, it has been proposed to augment the Tax upon Coaches; which proposal is to be considered at their next Meeting. The Prince of Orange is at this Place this Morning, to go and

embark at Amsterdam for Leeuwarden. He was complimented Yesterday by the Presidents of the States General, the Council of State, and the Chamber of Finances, in the Name of the three Colleges, after he had been to take his Leave of them. Captain Schryver is arrived from Cadiz in the Texel, with two of the Ships of War under his Command, having left the third behind to convoy some Merchant-men. He is daily expected here to make a Report of his Commission to the States.

Hague, Dec. 25, N. S. The Duke of Lorrain having made his Passage from Margate in 12 Hours, landed at Helvoetsluys on Saturday last in the Morning, came to Rotterdam that Day, and the Day following came hither. He designs to stay here till Thursday next, and then proceed directly to Berlin. Two Boats coming from Hambourg, laden with East-India Goods, belonging, as it is said, to the Ship Apollo, have been seized at Amsterdam.

Hague, Dec. 28, N. S. This Morning the Duke of Lorrain set out from hence for Rotterdam, whence he is to go up to Nimeguen in a Yacht; his Equipage and Baggage being to wait for him there.

Whitehall, Dec. 18, 1731.

Whereas the Commissioners of His Majesty's Excise have represented, That Thomas Wylde, instructed in the Excise, was, on the Tenth of November last, in the Night, as he was returning from his Business of officiating

